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## **Mohave County Arizona Chapter 975** **"CHAPTER 975 DISPATCH"**

***"Never again shall one generation of veterans abandon another"***



***"Only two defining forces have ever offered to die for you,  
Jesus Christ and the American G.I."  
~One died for your soul, the other for your freedom~***



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***Breakfast Run -- -- Saturday, May 17 9:00; Kingman***



***We had a great breakfast run Saturday at the Kingman IHOP. Tracy took good care of us again!***



***Sisto, John Marcikese, Webmaster Dave, Nana and Chap Tom, Tom and Linda Murray, Ralph and Deb McKie, Dianne and Jim Caroll and Henry enjoying breakfast together at the Kingman IHOP***





***Jim and Dianne Carroll and Webmaster Dave.***

***Jim's Scooter!***

***The Carrolls are heading to Oregon to visit grandchildren for the summer and will be back with us in the fall. We will miss you guys and we are sorry that you will not be around for the Oatman AZ sidewalk egg frying contest this year!***

***The breakfast runs are a great time of breaking bread and fellowship that we have been enjoying together. Brothers and sisters in arms enjoying time together.***

***If you can next time, ride you motorcycle, scooter, skate board, drive your car, pick up or whatever you have but just come and enjoy some fellowship with your brothers and sisters in arms!***





***In Memory Of PFC Ara T. Deysie of Parker Arizona***



***From Patriot Guard Web Site:***

**DoD Identifies Army Casualty**

The Department of Defense announced today the death of a soldier who was supporting Operation Enduring Freedom. **PFC. Ara T. Deysie, 18, of Parker, Ariz.**, died May 9 in Paktia Province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when his unit came under rocket-propelled grenade fire. He was assigned to the 1st Squadron, 61st Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Ky.



***Our deepest sympathies and condolences to the family of PFC Ara T. Deysie, a valiant hero who gave his all for his country and for all of us.***



***From Sisto Sandoval:***

***Sisto writes poems for our servicemen and women that he reads and presents to them at our welcome home and deployment events.***

***Sisto wrote his first poem during a mortar and rocket attack forty years ago in the Republic of Vietnam and they truly are "Creations Of The Heart."***

***Thank You And Lord Bless You Sisto My Brother!***



**“FEAR OF THE NIGHT”**

*I fear the night as darkness falls.*

*I hear the pounding sounds of my heart as it sends the fear of life's ending, rushing through my veins. I capture time as it stood still in a place embedded deep in my mind. I see so vivid the crushing of feet as they ran so fast as to get away. The burning sensation of metal meeting flesh as the mortars exploded and the damage done to the soul is done.*

*I fear the night for the dragon will awake and take me back to the place I dread, where people walk with the living dead. The dragon will release its mighty breath of fire and crush the good with all the bad. Why must I continue to fear the night? I long for love and the tenderness of an embrace, to keep me sane at the time of darkness. I hear the rifle crackle another round, tracers burning so red, streaking inches of my head. I dare not close my eyes for to awake in the place I hated, a place never to forget that took the life of freedom seekers. I never dare to stray away from my solitude where I remain a prisoner of my nightmares of days gone by.*

*I am so fortunate to see days rise in splendor of creations of all that is right and see the morning light. Thanks to God I walk this land as free as I can. I pray for those who gave me the right to live in this our land.*

*Why do I fear the night when peace and silence should be comforters of the mind of the land I left behind? Let me see the darkness, the light of freedom that many bloods did bathe for us and gave us breath to sing. I fear the night as darkness falls; I cradle myself as a child would in time of need.*

*I will always pray and be great full to those who died in freedoms name, they continue today to do the same. Let not tears be rain, angels protect those who fight in freedoms name and God bless them all.*

5-30-05

*Sisto Sandoval*

*Vietnam Veteran (1968-1969)*

*Creations of the Heart*





***From Mike Canright PGR Assistant State Captain:***



***In Memory Of Larry Foccio:***



**From Patriot Guard Web Site:**

**Memorial Mission for Larry Foccio, Firefighter, U.S. Navy Veteran:**

As most of you know, Larry Foccio, Lieutenant/Firefighter from Fort Huachuca and U.S. Navy Veteran (Sea Bee), was tragically killed in a motorcycle collision during the Laughlin River Run in Mohave Valley Fire District.

The funeral services were held at Ft Huachuca/Sierra Vista and this is a memorial for the Bullhead Area.

**DATE:** Sunday, May 18th

**STAGING TIME:** 0900 hours

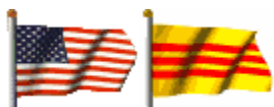
**STAGING:** Mojave Crossing Event Center, 101 Aztec Road, Fort Mojave, Az

**KSU: 1000 hours and proceeding to the Cal-Pine South Point Power Plant, 3775 Courtwright Road, Mojave Valley.**

**Services will be outdoors off of the roadway at the power plant. @15-20 minutes upon conclusion of the services, the procession will continue East on County Route 1, to ride past the Memorial Cross Site. End of procession will be in Golden Shores, AZ.**

**RIDE CAPTAIN: Mike Canright/Oldfireman**

**Pat Eagan  
AZ PGR State Captain**



***Ralph and Deb McKie:***



***Ralph and his beautiful bride Deb give their all to Chapter 975. You can see them at most events and fundraisers and they always make every person in attendance feel welcome and are epitomes of the VVA slogan "Never Again Shall One Generation Of Veterans Abandon Another"***

***Well done Ralph and Deb and may our Lord bless and keep you both!***

***Ralph sent this item for us:***

***I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG, OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA , AND TO THE  
REPUBLIC, FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH  
LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL***



*I was asked to send on if I agree or delete if I don't.*

*It is said that 86% of Americans believe in God. Therefore I have a very hard time understanding why there is such a problem in having 'In God! We Trust' on our money and having 'God' in the Pledge of Allegiance.*

*I believe it's time we stand up for what we believe!*

*Ralph is scheduled for a medical procedure early next month. Please keep him in your prayers.*



**Chaplain's Corner:**



***Please pray for:***

- ***Our Servicemen and Women and our Brothers and Sisters in arms who are being treated / are recovering in military and VA hospitals.***
- ***Chapter 975 & 785 members and families***
- ***Ralph McKie for the Lord's care and help with a medical procedure coming up next month***
- ***RFTW and Rolling Thunder Participants; for a great ride and time of fellowship and healing and the Lord's blessing and protection for***



***a safe return home***

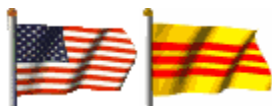


- ***Maj Bill "Monsoon" Mimiaga for the Lord's care and healing***
- ***Sgt Kenny Bower US Army***
- ***PFC Garrett Kelly US Army***
- ***SPEC Ryan Smith US Army***
- ***Airman 1st Class Joshua Wages***
- ***Chief Petty Officer Gil McGillivray***
- ***Spec Anthony Martinez***
- ***Airman 1st Class Ralph Lopez***
- ***Spec Rehta Woelfer***
- ***Airman Christopher Coyner***
- ***Airman Scott Weaver***

- **USMC Tony and Nicole**
- **PFC Keith Stein**
- **Bill Donenfeld serving in Afghanistan**
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**God Bless our "Troops in Harms Way....." and God bless Those brave men and women who gave all.....**

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and be sure to indicate if they are confidential or for public display in the "Chapter 975 Dispatch"**



***Well that's it for this edition, keep sending pictures and articles for the Dispatch!***

***Lord Bless and keep you until we meet again!***

### **Romans 13; 1-3**

#### **Respect for Authority**

Everyone must submit to governing authorities. For all authority comes from God, and those in positions of authority have been placed there by God. 2 So anyone who rebels against authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and they will be punished.

3 For the authorities do not strike fear in people who are doing right, but in those who are doing wrong. Would you like to live without fear of the authorities? Do what is right, and they will honor you. NLT

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